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MS PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): YODA, Akira

For: IMAGE SERVICE PROVIDING APPARATUS AND RECORDING MEDIUM

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of Fifty-four (54) pages
- Nine (9) sheet(s) formal drawings
- An assignment of the invention
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Applicant does not claim priority

Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2002-287188 filed in Japan on September 30, 2002.

Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
 Certified copy(ies) will follow.

Executed Declaration (Original Photocopy)

Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76

Preliminary Amendment

Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)

Other:

Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee

Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) (2) (B) (i)

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| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 2- 3 = | 0 | x 84 = | \$0.00 | x 42 = | \$0.00 |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED | | | + \$280.00 | | + \$140.00 | |
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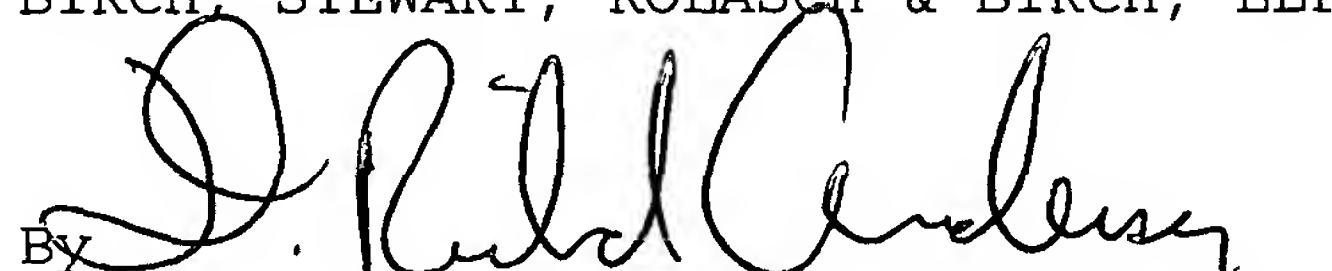
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Sir:

Under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a), the applicant(s) hereby claim(s) the right of priority based on the following application(s):

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A certified copy of the above-noted application(s) is(are) attached hereto.

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